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Whereas, The 200th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln will occur in 2009;

Whereas, On February 25, 2000, President Clinton signed into law the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission Act, establishing a 15 member commission to determine how the nation should celebrate the 200th anniversary of Lincoln's birth;

Whereas, The governors of Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky were also asked to recommend one commission member from each state;

Whereas, Members of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission have expressed a desire for the states of Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky to create state commissions to plan projects and activities in recognition of this occasion;

Whereas, Abraham Lincoln has many ties to the state of Indiana;

Whereas, The values of the citizens of Southern Indiana helped to create the values that guided Abraham Lincoln throughout his life;

Whereas, Abraham Lincoln spent 14 years, from December



1816 through March 1830 in Southern Indiana near the town of Little Pigeon Creek;

Whereas, The Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial is in Lincoln City, Indiana;

Whereas, Abraham Lincoln's beloved mother, Nancy Hanks Lincoln, died in October 1818 while the family lived in Indiana; and

Whereas, Abraham Lincoln is universally regarded as one of the greatest presidents ever; therefore, it is fitting that the state of Indiana establish a commission to plan activities to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,
the Senate concurring:*

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the governor
- 2 of the state of Indiana to establish the Indiana Commission for the
- 3 Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial to plan projects and activities in
- 4 recognition of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.
- 5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the governor of the
- 7 state of Indiana and to Darrel E. Bigham, member of the Abraham
- 8 Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

